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For: METHODS FOR MANUFACTURING COIL
SPRINGS

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REPLY ACCOMPANYING REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
UNDER 37 C.F.R. 114

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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Final Office Action dated September 19, 2008, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as set forth below. A Request for Continued Examination (RCE) is filed herewith. A Petition for Extension of Time, extending the time of response by 2 months to February 19, 2009, is also submitted concurrently herewith.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 13 of this paper.

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